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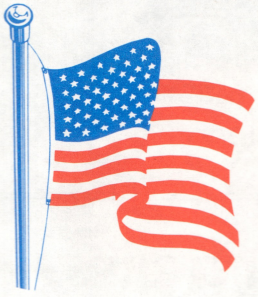

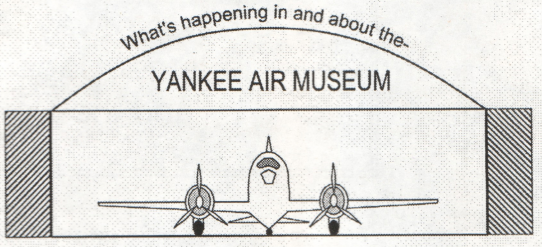

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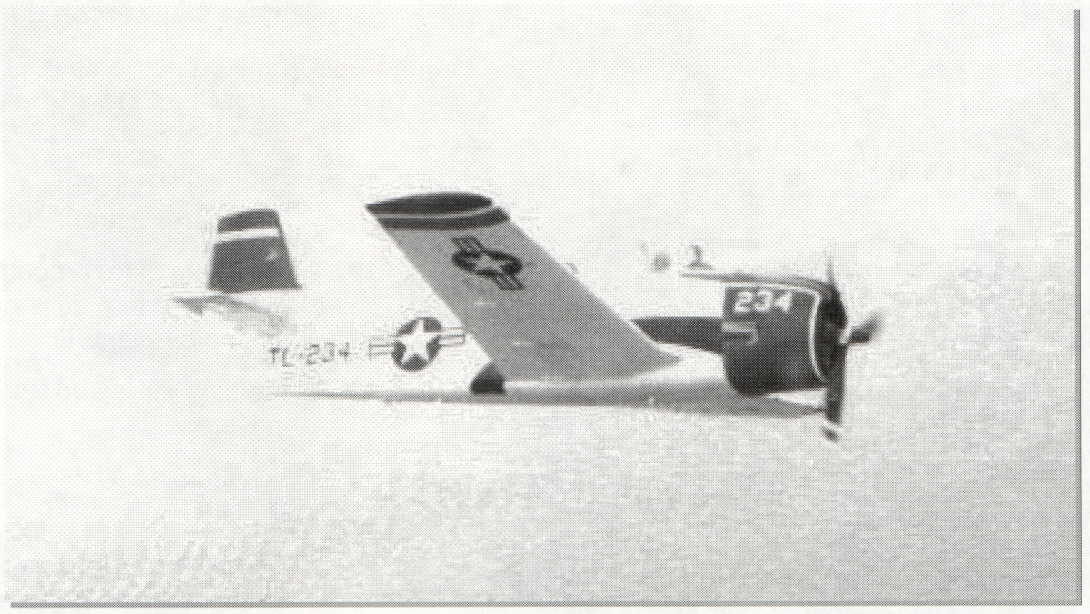

T-28A flown by **Jim Uhley** over the Detroit River on Memorial Day 2003
Photo taken by **Roger Sherman** from the B-17 *Yankee Lady*

★ ★ ★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S.A.** ★ ★ ★

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MEETING SCHEDULE

1st Wednesday of Month - 7:30 PM
General Membership
All Members & Guests Welcome

2nd Wednesday of Month - 7:30 PM
Flyable Aircraft Meeting
Everyone Welcome

3rd Wednesday of Month - 7:30 PM
Board Meeting
All Members Welcome

4th Wednesday of Month - 6:00 PM
Long-Range Planning Meeting
Everyone Welcome

4th Saturday of Month - 10:30 AM
Staff Meeting
All Department Chairs & Managers

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10 AM - 4 PM TUESDAY - SATURDAY
12 NOON - 4 PM SUNDAY
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Visitors to our Museum
during **May 2003** were from
18 of our United States,
Spain, Norway, Brazil, France,
Israel, Japan, Canada
and the Netherlands

PAST DATES OF INTEREST

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4 July 1942	First B-17 arrived in England
10 July 1965	First USAF Vietnam War victories: two F-4Cs down two MiG-17s
11 July 1955	First United States Air Force Academy class sworn in
17 July 1989	First flight of the B-2 Stealth Bomber
20 July 1969	Astronauts Armstrong and Aldrin make first walk on Earth's moon
21 July 1946	First carrier landing of jet-powered aircraft, an FH-1 Phantom aboard the *USS Franklin D. Roosevelt*
21 July 1961	Captain Virgil "Gus" Grissom first USAF astronaut in space
22 July 1933	First solo flight around the world completed in 7 days by Wiley Post in single-engine Lockheed Vega
27 July 1953	Fighting ends and truce signed in Korea

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Winner of the 50/50 drawing
at our June meeting was
JIM DIETRICH
who donated his winnings to the C-47.

A second prize was donated,
a black & red canvas duffle bag,
won by **LEWIS MAJOR**

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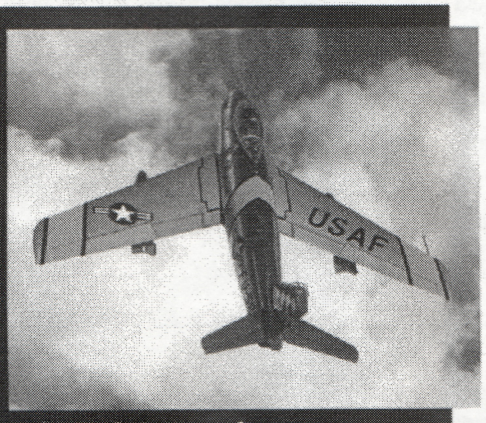
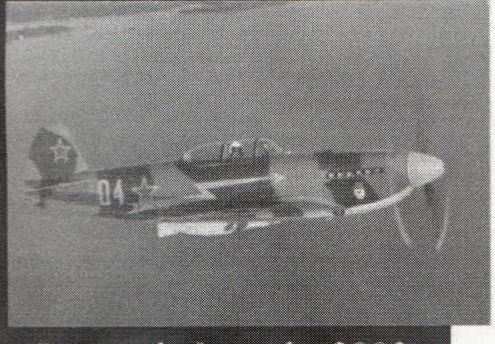
Yankee Air Museum presents...

2003 Grosse Ile Air Show

Saturday, July 5th & Sunday, July 6th



- *F-86 Aerobatics*
- *FG-1D Aerobatics*
- *Yak 9 Aerobatics*
- *S-2B Aerobatics*
- *Modern Military Flybys*
- *and much more!!*



Static display opens at 9:00 a.m.
Air Show starts 1:00 p.m.

Adult (age 17 and up)	$10
Youth (ages 10-16)	$5
Kids (ages 9 and under)	FREE
Parking	FREE

Proceeds from the 2003 Grosse Ile Air Show will support the Yankee Air Museum!!

"Celebrating 100 years of flight"

For more info visit **www.greatlakesairshows.com** or call **734-483-4030 Ext 200**

YANKEE AIR FORCE, INC.

SELF-NOMINATING FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Name on ballot: _____ Member No. _____

Address: _____ Membership Category: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM A CANDIDATE FOR THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICE OF:

_____

A candidate must be a General, Life, or Senior Life member in good standing.
The office of President or Vice-President requires the candidate to have held a Board position for one calendar year prior to taking office.

YAF ACTIVITIES

Past or present offices held: _____

_____

Committee service: _____

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Activities participation: _____

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Other interests: _____

_____

YOUR GOALS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE YANKEE AIR FORCE: (Limited to this section only)

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SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

One set of voter mailing labels can be purchased from the Membership Office. Candidate photos may be included at a later date.

THIS NOMINATING FORM MUST BE IN THE HANDS OF THE YAF ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

NO LATER THAN 9:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2003.

NOMINATIONS RECEIVED ANY LATER THAN THIS TIME WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

MAIL TO: YAF
ELECTION COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX 590
BELLEVILLE MI 48112-0590

Ballots can also be hand-delivered to the LOCKED BALLOT BOX in the Willow Run Division Meeting Room.

The Room 216 Report

by Jon Stevens L 4172 WR

The **YANKEE AIR MUSEUM** runs with a number of different fuels. Besides the two most obvious ones — caffeine and 100 octane LL (low-lead) av-gas — it also takes more than a little inspiration and perspiration to keep things going.

In last month's column, I mentioned sharing some stories of the small group of staff and volunteers who get the job done around here. Some have worked very hard at increasing our public exposure, and increasing our community involvement. Others are working to build a stronger reputation within the academic and museum communities, some are just getting the day–to–day jobs taken care of.

This month, I'd like to share some of those stories, and acknowledge some great people, and their efforts.

Since coming to work for us two years ago, **Gayle Roberts-Walker** has been the *numero uno* agent of change within the museum. As our first professional Curator, Gayle has moved the Collections and Exhibits (C&E) department in a number of important directions.

For years, artifact and aircraft acquisition had had very little coordination, and even less planning. We'd take in anything offered (or dumped in our laps), with very little thought toward what *we* wanted to collect.

Gayle brought a change to this, creating the board approved Collections Committee. Now, before anything is accessioned, the committee decides, and *not* the donor, nor any one member.

Also during this time, our collection of over 12,000 (!) artifacts has had better care—and documentation—than ever.

As a natural extension of her duties, over the last 18 months, Gayle has also been given responsibility for the Library, Air Park and Static Restoration departments.

Working with Gayle is our first paid summer intern, **Tassie Zahner-Palyka**. You may remember that Tassie designed the *Early Aviation* exhibit as part of her EMU Masters degree requirements.

Together, they'll be working on some large projects this summer, including the Ford Centennial celebration, completing the engine exhibit on the main floor, doing research for August's *Air Display*, and setting up the *Last Battle* photographic exhibit.

Before serving as a Director and as chairman of the Finance Committee, **Bill Colwell** first created the Computer Services Department, which he has headed up since its inception. When I first worked with Bill in this department over 10 years ago, we only had a few donated obsolete personal computers. At the time, there was very little interest in even using them.

Since then, he's upgraded a lot of hardware and software, installed a local area network (LAN) at the Willow Run hangar, and sparked more than just a small amount of interest.

These days, Bill works with **Don Burke** and **Tye Winkel**, keeping the LAN running, upgrading equipment when possible, and planning for the future. Amongst those plans is e-mail with a YAM address.

Whenever there's something special happening in the hangar, you'll find **Dick** and **Debbie Stewart**, whether it's planning the entire event to grilling hotdogs, selling Cokes, and cleaning up.

Heading up our Education Department is **Bette Watson**. Over the last 5-10 years, Bette has introduced several hundred (if not over a thousand) kids to aviation history and science. It's a task that requires a lot of time, patience and flexibility. She's shown all of that, and more!

Moving from an all-volunteer structure to a staff-volunteer mix has probably been toughest on **Dale Worcester**, who heads up our Museum Store. Keeping enough members behind the sales counter became a very tough challenge for him.

Last year, the board authorized Dale to hire some part-time help to even out the load. Since then, **Ron Olson**, **Neoma Stratton** and **Allison Struble** have been recruited.

Assisting Ron and Neoma in the store during our annual Memorial Day Open House were **Judy Messing** and **Karen Miller**. Between a heavy crowd and our second (hopefully, the last) annual Memorial Day power-outage, they did a great job on the busiest day we ever had.

SPEAKING OF MEMORIAL DAY...

In any organization, there are always those who I like to refer to as "utility players." Just as in baseball, these are the people who fill in when and where they can, to pick up the slack, and help get things done.

Amongst others, these include **Sally Irving**, **Keith Jones**, **Lisa Korzetz**, **Jim Luke**, **Jerry Luther**, **Bob Pilz**, **Bob Richards** and **Gary Shelton**. Like many out at the hangar, some of them normally work in one department, and some float to where others need assistance; all of them are champs in my book.

There are many more stories to tell, and many more volunteers who are involved on a regular basis. Their stories will also be told here over the next several months. If *you* know of a story that needs telling, please let me know!

If you've got anything you'd like to discuss, please feel free to call me at (248) 353-3384 or e-mail me at:

jon_stevens_77@worldnet.att.net.

UNTIL NEXT MONTH
LET'S KEEP TALKING
AND KEEPING 'EM FLYING !

Thanks so much ... to all those who worked so long serving coffee and doughnuts under all conditions on Memorial Day:

Don Messing
(he picked up the doughnuts)
Monty Ellickson (who came all the way from Oklahoma to be with us)
Larry Arnett (a new member to our pancake breakfast group)
Jerry Curtis (first one here!)
Jonathon Shafer
(always a valuable member)

... from **Al. Scotford**

On the Road Again

to Wright-Patterson AFB

by **Don Burke**

Friday, May 9th, both the B-17 and the C-47 departed our Museum. The B-17 went to Napoleon, Ohio, while the C-47 went to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. This was to be their first open house in 30 years. The weather was beautiful when we left, but clouds soon obscured the ground. We departed at 2:00 PM, knowing the airspace around Wright-Patterson AFB would be closed until 3:00 PM for air show practice. We got down to Dayton (nicknamed "Wright-Pat") and were told to remain outside their airspace, that practice was running late. Half an hour circling in rough air is a long time!

The airspace opened, we landed and were greeted by the base personnel. All the military aircraft scheduled showed up, but many of the warbirds from the south or east were weathered in. The line personnel who would be fueling our C-47 arrived and wanted to know if we wanted our gas and oil then. We said no, how about tomorrow after we land at noon. They agreed. We had a bus ride over to base ops (base operations) where we checked in, got our passes and rental cars and directions to the local *Holiday Inn.* Off we went to the hotel and got checked in.

We returned to the base for their air show party where we met a lot of long-time air show friends and caught up on what happened over the winter.

Saturday morning, May 10th, dawned cold and gray, threatening rain. The pilots' briefing was held and the weather people said that it would not start raining until after noon. We did our 11:30 AM flight with a Lockheed Lodestar C-60, landed and taxied back in. The fuel truck met us and we got our load of gas and oil. As we did that, the air boss showed up and said that nasty thunderstorms, with a chance of hail, would hit within 45 minutes. He said that he would try to get us in a hangar, so we broke out the tow bar. They found a hangar for us, and we got the airplane inside just as the rain hit. And it poured, but no hail. We spent an hour listening to a talk by Brigadier General Chuck Yeager. The rain shower washed away the crowd, so that was it for the day. Back to the hotel and dinner. Dinner that night was at *Damon's*, a place for ribs.

On Mother's Day, Sunday morning, May 11th, the weather looked better, until we stepped outside. The wind was really blowing. We flew the show, but it was just too windy to set up retail. Also, we were in a "sterile area" for the flying aircraft where the crowd could not visit us.

The flight home was smooth and quick. The airplane ran fine with no problems.

I hope this show was not an indication of our upcoming season! The crowd was sparse, but that could have been due to the poor weather and the fact that it was Mother's Day weekend. But we sure were treated well.

Making this trip were **Glenn *(Gunner)* and Teresa Ingle**, **Ray Hunter**, **Fred Lockwood**, **Irv Kaminski**, **Todd Hackbarth**, **Vince Caruso**, **Bob Richards**, **Dave Stonoski** and myself, **Don Burke**.

In Memory Of...

Imogene Lary
#3156 WR
One of our oldest members, age 96
Mother & Mother-in-law
of Bill and Rena Lary
Passed away
May 7, 2003

Jean Hynes
Wife & Co-Pilot
of J. Robert Hynes
Life Member
#7849 WR
Passed away
May 21, 2003

BRINGING OUT OUR STINSON FOR MORE DAWN PATROLS ! WANT TO JOIN US ?

Our classic gull-winged Stinson V-77 Reliant was a US Army Air Corps AT-19 (AT for Advanced Trainer) designed by Eddie Stinson and produced in Wayne, Michigan. With a 300 horsepower 9-cylinder Lycoming radial engine, it cruises at 100 MPH and carries a crew of four plus 78 gallons of fuel, averaging 15-18 gallons per hour in flight.

Future destinations include:

July 5 to Gaylord Lakes of the North
July 12 to Oakland/Troy Airport
July 13 to Hastings Airport Pancake Breakfast
July 27 to Saginaw

ALSO! YAF's Wurtsmith Division in Oscoda will be having their annual USO Dance Saturday night August 9th and their Fly-In Pancake Breakfast on Sunday August 10th. We plan to go!

Contact **Ray Hunter** for details on each trip:
(734) 668-6059 or e-mail **HuntersofA2@aol.com**

Don Burke towing our Stinson into place Memorial Day 2003

ROBERT WEIL

2003 YANKEE AIR FORCE AIRSHOW SCHEDULE

B-17!			Jly 03-06	Battle Creek Balloon Fest	TB(03)	Battle Crk, MI
	B-25?		Jly 04-06	Muskegon Air Fair	BA	Muskegon, MI
		C-47!	Jly 04	Ypsi 4th of July Parade Flyby	11:00	Ypsilanti, MI
		C-47!	Jly 05-06	Grosse Ile Airshow		Grosse Ile, MI
		C-47!	Jly 08	YAF member trip to USAF Museum		Dayton, OH
B-17!			Jly 11-13	Aircraft Static Display	- FLEX	Ashtabula, OH
	B-25?	C-47?	Jly 11-13	Geneseo Airshow "History of Flight"		Geneseo, NY
		C-47?	Jly 15	YAF member trip to Mackinac Island		Mackinac, MI
B-17!	B-25!	C-47!	Jly 17-20	Dayton Airshow-BA TB SB French team		Dayton, OH
B-17!	B-25!	C-47!	Jly 25-26	Selfridge ANGB Airshow	TB	Mt Clemens, MI
B-17!			Jly 27	YAF Saginaw Valley Division display		Saginaw, MI
		C-47!	Jly 27	YAF member trip - pancake Breakfast		Saginaw, MI
B-17!			Jly 31-03	EAA Airventure Oshkosh 2003		Oshkosh, WI
B-17!	B-25!	C-47!	Aug 09-10	Air Display 2003-Thunder Over Mich. (Chuck Yeager, Bud Anderson, Gunther Rall)		Willow Run, MI
		C-47!	Aug 10	Wurtsmith Div Fly-In Breakfast (YAF member trip)		Oscoda, MI
		C-47?	Aug 12	YAF member trip to USAF Museum		Dayton, OH
B-17!		C-47?	Aug 15-17	Mason Jewett Field static dsp-	FLEX	Mason, MI
	B-25?		Aug 22-24	Airport Open House		Marion, OH
B-17?			Aug 22-23	Livingston CO Airport Open Hse-	FLEX	Howell, MI
B-17!		C-47!	Aug 24	Pontiac Airport Open House -	FLEX	Waterford, MI
		C-47?	Aug 26	YAF member trip to USAF Museum		Dayton, OH
	B-25?	C-47?	Sep 06	U of M Football Game Halftime FlyBy		Ann Arbor, MI
B-17!			Sep 06-07	Aviation Day with Flair-Kent State		Stow, OH
B-17?			Sep 12-14	NAS Willow Grove Airshow		Willow Grov, PA
B-17!	B-25?		Sep 12-14	Indianapolis Airshow 2003	BA	Mt Comfort, IN
		C-47?	Sep 13-14	Lunken 75th Anniversary Air Show		Cincinnati, OH
		C-47?	Sep 16	YAF member trip to USAF Museum		Dayton, OH
B-17!			Sep 19-20	Airport Open House/Display -	FLEX	Sidney, OH
B-17!	B-25!	C-47!	Sep 21	YAF Founder's Day Open House		Willow Run, MI
		C-47?	Oct 06-10	YAF member trip to NC, GA, FL, LA		NC, GA, FL, LA
B-17?			Oct 12	Static Display -	FLEX	Anderson, IN

! Definite **?** Tentative **FLEX** Flight Experiences **BA** US Navy Blue Angels **SB** Canadian Snowbirds **TB** US Air Foce Thunderbirds

The Yankee Air Museum Proudly Presents...

One of the LARGEST Warbird Events in the United States. On ***August 9th and 10th, 2003*** *at Willow Run Airport.*

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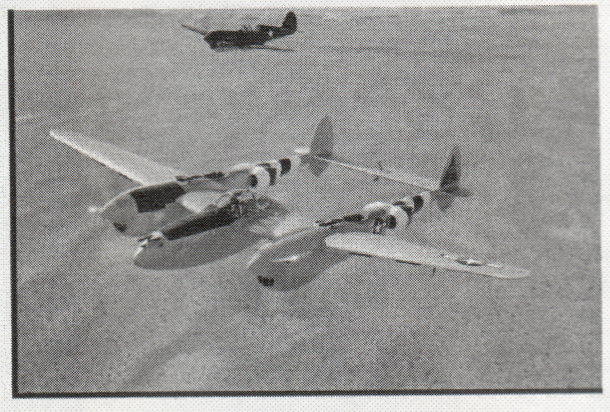

Gates Open at 9am Daily
Gates Close at 4pm Daily

Over 50 Historic Aircraft Including:

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P-39Q Airacobra
P-40 Warhawk (2)
P-51C Mustang
P-51D Mustang (4)
P-47 Thunderbolt (2)
F4U Corsair (3)
F2G-1D Super Corsair
F6F-5 Hellcat
TBM-3E Avenger
YAK-3M
B-17G Flying Fortress (6)
B-24J Liberator
He-111 Heinkel
B-25 Mitchell (3)
C-121 Constellation
Supermarine Spitfire
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Admission: *$13 Adult (17 & up)*
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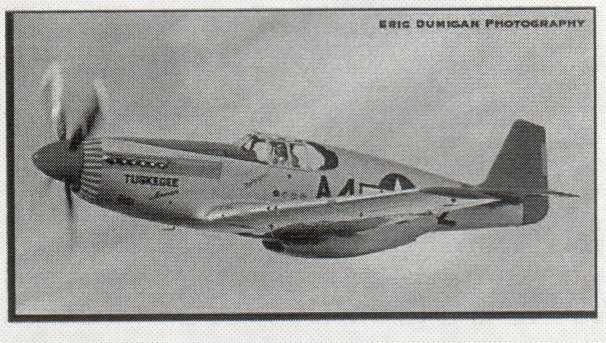

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For the latest information and complete aircraft listing see our web site: http://www.yankeeairmuseum.org or call (734) 483-4030 ext. 200

Yankee Air Museum Presents

WORLD WAR II AVIATION SYMPOSIUM

Air War over Europe

Saturday, August 9th, 2003

Brigadier General Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager (USAF Ret.)

General Gunther Rall (Luftwaffe Ret.)

Colonel C.E. " Bud" Anderson (USAF Ret.)

Doors open at 5:30 PM
Dinner begins at 6:00 PM
Presentation begins at 7:00 PM

Tickets: $65.00 in advance
$75.00 at the door (if available)

Tickets include: Dinner & Admission to both days of Air Display 2003, August 9th and 10th.

Limited number of tickets are available through the ***Yankee Air Museum Store.***

-*VISA* or *MasterCard* charge by phone, please call (734) 483-4030 ext. 202
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Belleville MI 48112-0590

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Belleville, MI

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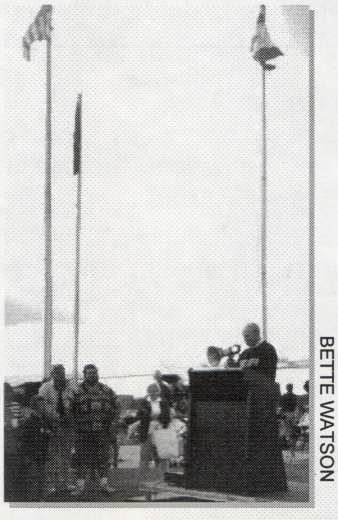
OPEN HOUSE
AT YANKEE AIR MUSEUM
MONDAY 26 MAY 2003



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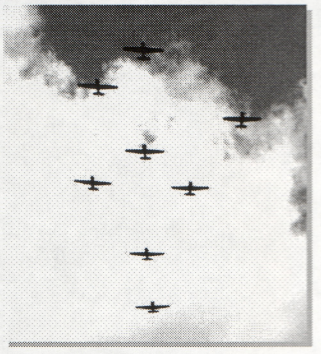


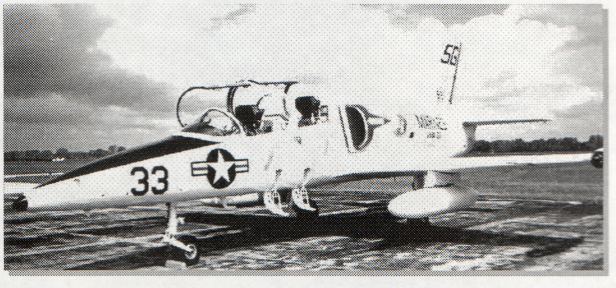
ROGER SHERMAN

BOB PILZ

Sincere thanks to all our members who helped, friends who visited, and the pilots who participated in honor of so many who could not be here this year.

Special appreciation to Jack Roush, Bob and Denise Lutz, Jack Lousma, Jim Greeson, and Dave Tinker.

ROGER SHERMAN



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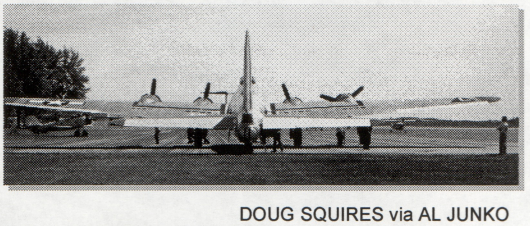


DOUG SQUIRES via AL JUNKO

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We at Yankee Air Museum would like to welcome all our new members. To those who received their membership by purchasing a flight on our B-17 *Yankee Lady,* we value your membership. This is a great time to become a member. Our Museum has many events this summer. We need your help! It's a good way to get acquainted with other members and learn what each of us do here at the Museum. The jobs available with NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY are numerous.
Please phone the Museum, leave your name, and we will return your call.

Kevin McNichol
(734) 483-4030 Ext 405

If you're near **Oscoda, Michigan** this month, from Tuesday through Thursday, July 22-24, 2003, be sure to visit our **WURTSMITH DIVISION**. The Collings Foundation *Wings of Freedom* Tour will visit Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport (OSC). Scheduled to arrive on Tuesday afternoon and depart Thursday afternoon are the B-17G Flying Fortress *Nine O Nine* and B-24J Liberator *All American / Dragon and His Tail.* Tours of each will be available for $7/adults and $3/children under 12 years of age. Should you miss this chance, please come see these beautiful warbirds at the *Thunder Over Michigan* Air Display at Willow Run in August.

FLORIDA FLIGHT LINES

by *Muriel Haedike* #8641 FL

We hope to report next month that the Florida Division's third anniversary celebration on Saturday, June 7, 2003, was a success! This is a way to raise funds for our fledgling museum and hopefully we'll have a record turnout as expected. We planned a fly-in with an old-fashioned corn roast, also hamburgers, hot dogs and more. For a mere donation of $6, you could attend. Vintage aircraft, restored military vehicles, classic cars and antique Model As were on display. Even dog tags were available!

A feature of our monthly Board meetings are speakers from various walks of life. In April, **Robert Roberts**, a former Army Medic with the 1st Army in Europe during World War II was at our meeting. He was involved in the D-Day invasion, plus every major battle up to the time of VE-Day. He also helped liberate Buchenwald. In May, our guest speaker was **Paul Dicken**, a flight engineer on B-17s and B-24s. Due to extremely hot weather, we dispensed with asking a speaker for June, until the weather is cooler.

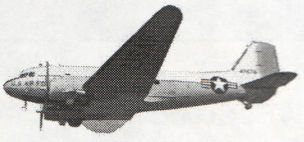
At our July 12th Board meeting there will be a planning session for the upcoming Air Show in November. The weekend of July 14th in Inglis, Florida, is an event called *The Gathering,* which will honor Vietnam veterans. The traveling Vietnam Wall will be on display and we will have our dog tag machine there as well. July 27th there will be a 3-hour memorial program in Veterans Park to mark the end of the Korean War.

We like to keep everyone informed of our activities in our newsletters, and invite all who are living in or visiting Florida to stop by and see what we have accomplished in such a short time!

Join fellow YAF members for a flight to exciting places in our very own C-47 !

In order to involve more members in our unique flying activities, we are again offering monthly excursions in our C-47 to places of interest. This will be done under a shared expense provision the FAA allows private aircraft owners such as Yankee Air Museum to charge for aircraft operations to cover expenses.

Listed below are the dates, destinations and cost per person on each trip. Everyone flying with us must be a member of Yankee Air Force Museum.



LET'S GO FOR A RIDE !

DATE	DESTINATION	ROUND TRIP COST
Tuesday July 8	**Dayton, Ohio** USAF Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB	*SOLD OUT*
Tuesday July 15	**Mackinac Island**	$150
Sunday July 27	**Saginaw, Michigan** Mid-Michigan Fly-In PANCAKE BREAKFAST	*SALE PRICE* **$ 25**
Sunday August 10	**Oscoda, Michigan** Wurtsmith AFB Museum Fly-In	*SOLD OUT*
Tuesday August 12	**Dayton, Ohio** USAF Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB	$ 95
Tuesday August 26	**Dayton, Ohio** USAF Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB	$ 95
Tuesday September 16	**Dayton, Ohio** USAF Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB	$ 95
Mon-Fri October 6 -10	**Wilmington, North Carolina** USS North Carolina Battleship **Savannah, Georgia** 8th AF Museum **Pensacola, Florida** Naval Aviation Museum **New Orleans, Louisiana** D-Day Museum	$1,000 Includes hotel (2 per room) and ground transportation. FOR DETAILS CALL RANDY HOTTON (734) 697-4754

- Your round trip cost covers only air transportation.
- Admission to those museums that charge admission will be in addition to the listed charge.
- Flights will normally leave at 8.00 AM from the Yankee Air Museum hangar and will return before dark.
- A minimum of 10 people will be needed for the trip to take place as scheduled.
- A maximum of 12 people can be accommodated on each trip.
- A position of ***trip coordinator*** has been created in order to facilitate a smooth operation.
- The *trip coordinator* will receive a 50% discount on the trip they choose to go on.
- The *trip coordinator* will be responsible for building passenger lists, taking care of passenger requests, and serving as the primary point of reference for their trip. If you are interested in becoming a *trip coordinator*, please indicate your desire below. *Trip coordinators* will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis.
- To reserve a place on one of these adventures, complete and mail the attached reservation form.
- Only checks or money orders will be accepted for payment.
- Full payment must be enclosed with your reservation form to reserve a seat on each desired trip.
- Seats will be filled on a first-come first-served basis. If demand is great enough, we may plan additional trips.
- For the Dayton Wright-Patterson trips, please indicate 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice if you are available.

NAME _____ YAF MEMBER # _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

DATE _____ DESTINATION _____ HOW MANY SEATS? _____ X COST PER SEAT _____ = TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

WANT TO BE A TRIP COORDINATOR? YES _____ NO _____

Yankee Air Museum reserves the right to cancel any of these excursions at any time and refund the participant the full amount paid.
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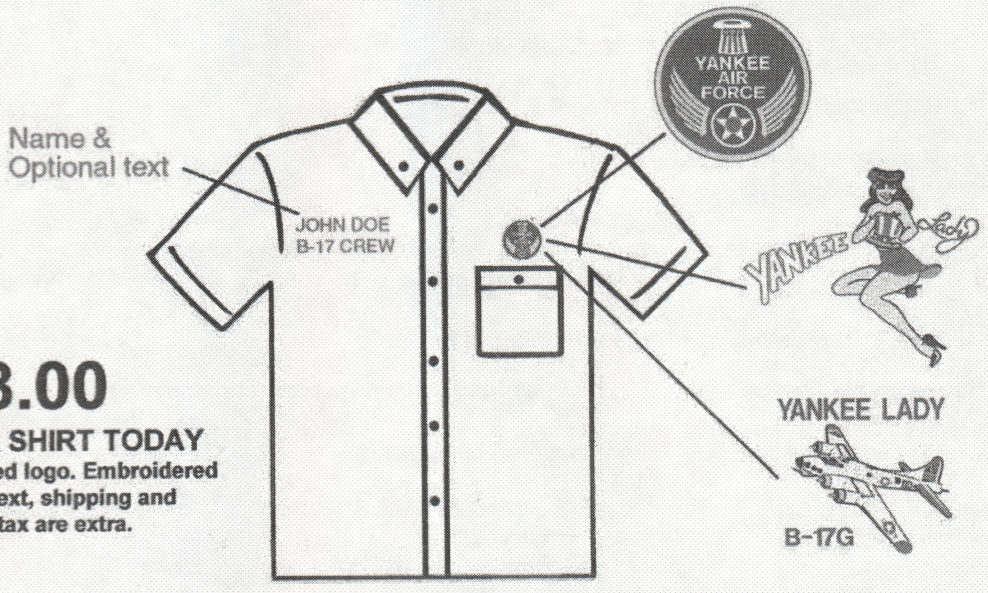

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6. Michigan residents must add the sales tax to the subtotal. _____
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11. What name(s) would you like to have embroidered? _____
    We do not recommend going over 18 letters and spaces
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CONNIE'S CORNER

by
Connie Kosek

Courageous women have served their Country well... some in jobs usually meant for men.

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The month of July reminds us of the famous aviatrix, Amelia Earhart, born in July 1897 and died in July 1937.

Earhart — a woman ahead of her time, in a field dominated by men:

- ✓ The first woman to cross the Atlantic Ocean by airplane in 1928.
- ✓ The first woman to make a solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean in 1932, and
- ✓ The first person to fly alone from Honolulu to California, 1935.

Earhart's only failed attempt occurred in 1937 when she was to fly around the world with her co-pilot, Frederick Noonan. Their plane was never heard from again, but final radio contact was from somewhere between New Guinea, and Howland Island in the Pacific.

Their fate remains a mystery even today. Yes, she was recognized as a woman amongst men, and one of history's greats in the field of aviation. But consider this:

From the beginning of our Nation's history, women have served with our Military. About twenty thousand women served with General Washington's Army. They were paid half the salary and received half the food rations as the men. They cooked, sewed and cleaned. There were also hundreds of women who served on the field of battle. They brought water to pour in hot cannons after they had been fired. People started calling these women *"Molly Pitchers."*

Margaret Corbin served as a *Molly Pitcher*. When her husband was killed, she took his place in command of troops firing cannons, although she was badly wounded herself. She was the first woman to receive a veteran's pension.

The Civil War was the bloodiest war in our Country's history. More soldiers died from sickness and wounds that failed to heal than were killed on the battlefield.

After a battle, as many as twenty thousand men would be wounded or killed. At that time, the only trained nurses were nuns and there weren't nearly enough of them to go around. Soon women from nearby towns came to help the wounded — on either side. These volunteers had no nursing skills, but they soon learned how to nurse. They were badly needed.

Doctor Mary Walker served as a lieutenant in the Union Army. She was a surgeon. She had special permission from Congress to wear trousers. She was the first and only woman to be awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

In World War II more than 350,000 women served in the military. About 75,000 were Army and Navy Nurses. The thousands of other volunteers joined the newly formed "Special Women's Section" of the armed services. They were considered temporary service people, and signed up for as long as the war lasted, plus six months.

World War II marked a turning point in women's history. In 1948, a law passed by Congress gave women a permanent place in the armed forces. While many held clerical and other traditional jobs for women, some took over the jobs usually meant for men.

Since then, many courageous women have served their Country well — in Korea, Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, and the war in Iraq.

To volunteer your help
for our two-day

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